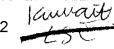
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I. I HAVE DISCUSSED REFTEL FULLY WIT SECURITY MEN AND HAVE AJRIVED AT FOLLOWING JUDGMENT OF SECURITY SITUATION AS OF NOW:

A. WHILE LOCAL KUWAITI SECURITY AUTHORITIES ARE LIMITED IN EFFICIENCY AND CAPABILITY, THERE IS NO QUESTION OF THEIR DETER-MINATION AND DESIRE PREVENT ANY TROUBLE 25X1 USSS REPORT KUWAITIS COOPERATIVE TO BEST OF THEIR ABILITY.

2. FOLLOWING ARE MY OWN JUDGMENTS FOR WHICH I TAKE SOLE RES-25X1 PONSIBILITY:

A. SECURITY SITUATION IN KUWAIT DURING YOUR VISIT WILL BE MANAGABLE.

B. POLITICALLY, YOU CANNOT GO TO ANY OTHER GULF STATE AND NOT KUWAIT; BUT YOU CAN VISIT KUWAIT WITHOUT GOING TO ANY OTHER GULF STATE.

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C. THERE IS GENERAL EXPECTATION THAT YOU WILL VUSIT KUWAIT. YOUR FAILURE TO DO SO AT THIS SENSITIVE POINT IN TIME WOULD BE CONSIDERED TRIUMPH FOR ARAB LEFTISTS OF LIBYAN STRIPE, DIE-HARD PALESTINIAN GROUPS AND SOVIETS, AND COULD BE MAJOR PSYCHOLOGICAL HANDICAP IN YOUR LATER EFFORTS ON PALESTINIAN FRONT -- FOLLOWING SYRIAN-ISRAELI DISENGAGEMENT.

D. I BELIEVE SECURITY SITUATION ALSO MANAGABLE IN BAHRAIN, QATAR, UAE AND OMAN. ONLY RESERVATION I HAVE ABOUT YOUR TRYING VISIT ALL OF THESE STATES (AND THEY MUST BE ALL OR NONE) IS CUTTING TIME IN EACH TOO SHORT. TO SEE ALL LOWER GULF STATES AND OMAN, I RECOMMEND YOU OVERNIGHT IN KUWAIT MAY 9, LEAVE EARLY ENOUGH NEXT DAY TO CALL IN AT BAHRAIN AND QATAR MAY 10, OVERNIGHT IN UAE MAY 10, AND VISIT OMAN MAY 11 EN ROUTE TO TEHRAN OR ELSEWHERE.

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